



**PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER
TO CONDUCT RECLAMATION ACTIVITIES**

(Abandoned Mine Land Program)

IN THE MATTER OF: **Petry Portals Project**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Department of Mines, Minerals, and Energy, Division of Mined Land Reclamation, of the Commonwealth of Virginia, pursuant to the authority granted in the Virginia Coal Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1979 (Chapter 19, Article 4, Section 45.1-260 et seq.) with funding provided by the **2012** Consolidated Grant, has determined and found that:

Land located **off Webb Hill Road (T886) in the St. Charles community** in **Lee** County Virginia, has been adversely affected by past coal mining practices, to wit:

1. Property owners, both known and unknown, are hereby notified of the Division's intention to reclaim the area adversely affected by past coal mining practices. The purpose of this Notice is to provide notice to any landowners, heirs, assigns and devisees who may be affected by the proposed reclamation and who have not been identified and who have not granted written consent.
2. The public health, safety and property is endangered by: **drainage from an abandoned mine site.**
3. The proposed action consists of:
 - a) The permanent closure of the abandoned mine portal by installing a wet seal
 - b) Controlling mine drainage by constructing riprap ditches and installing properly sized culverts or pipes
 - c) Establishing and maintaining sediment and erosion control measures as needed throughout the project
 - d) Establishing approved vegetation on all areas disturbed by this project

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4. Known property owner(s) in the area of the proposed reclamation are:

Estate of Cowles Kelly

Robert Pennington

Ronald Petrey

Tim Tabor

Based upon the above findings, the Commonwealth of Virginia, acting by and through the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, Division of Mined Land Reclamation, its agents, employees and contractors, gives notice that 30 days from this Notice being published in **Powell Valley News**, and posted on the property, the Division will initiate and continue until the proposed work on the **Petry Portal Project** is complete, and shall do all things necessary and expedient to protect the public health, safety and general welfare. Such entry shall not be construed as an act of condemnation of property nor of trespass thereon.

For further information contact the Division of Mined Land Reclamation at the following address:

Attention: AML Section

VA Dept. of Mines, Minerals & Energy

P. O. Drawer 900

Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

The telephone number is (276) 523-8206.

DATE 2/26/14 BY Randy Casey
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